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EDITORIALS

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VACATION THOUGHT FOR TODAY—I have the feeling that once I am at home again I shall need to sleep three weeks on end to get rested from the rest I've had.—Thomas Mann in "The Magic Mountain."

No Substitute for Cash

Disclosures during the past two weeks before the city council that the city has failed to collect the full amount of its costs on a water line extension point up emphatically the dangers in any deviation from a strictly "cash in hand" policy for such projects.

The city now has been placed in the position of a financier for private developments. While officials have indicated that the city will eventually recover its money, the procedure whereby such an event could occur has no place in the city's operation.

Without regard to who might hold the responsibility for this particular incident, either among the city employees or officials, the HERALD believes that a serious review of city policy on this and other matters is demanded.

Heads of the various city department, administrative officers of the city, and other, in fairness to them, should be given hard and fast rules covering such cases.

A number of individuals have told the HERALD that the procedure which brought on the present problem is a common practice in many places.

While it may be convenient, 99 per cent safe, and time-saving, it is no substitute for strict cash in advance policy when public money is involved.

An 'Oversight'

News that Torrance was incorporated in 1921, has grown to the fifth largest city in Los Angeles County with a federally counted population exceeding 100,000 persons, and is the home of many of the Southland's leading industrial and commercial giants has apparently become garbled in the long, long way through channels to the policy makers on the State Division of Highways level.

Construction of the Harbor Freeway, accomplished now to a point south of 190th St. and at a cost of millions of dollars, is reasonably complete except for one detail—not minor.

There is still no sign near any of the off-ramps in this area indicating that the cruising motorist is in the Torrance region. Persons traveling into this area for the first time—and their numbers are growing daily—will need a prior briefing, or a lot of luck to realize that the monstrous ribbon of concrete has brought them to the outskirts of Torrance.

The HERALD noted this "oversight" when the latest portion of the freeway was opened last month, and the city council has since taken official notice of the lack of a Torrance sign on the freeway.

We don't know what such signs cost—probably more than they should—but it still seems a reasonable request that this area be pointed out to the traveling public as it whizzes along the super highways.

We would like to recommend that the chief sign authority for the department send a memo down to the shops calling for the erection of a "TORRANCE" sign somewhere near the present freeway terminus.

It is a badly needed addition to an otherwise well marked roadway.

Opinions of Others

NEW HAVEN, MO., LEADER: "Fiscal affairs are at the heart of the democratic process Citizen concern over taxes originally led to our representative form of government. If democratic government is to survive, not only in this country but in the world, citizens must somehow gain control of government spending and taxes, instead of letting them dominate their business and personal lives."

McGEHEE, ARK., TIMES: "According to an AP dispatch last week, Premier Khrushchev is reported to have said, 'There is much in Christ common to us Communists.'"

"How about the freedom loving Ukrainians in the 1930's who were resisting collectivism, and the man-made famine conducted by Stalin's lieutenant, Khrushchev, in which 7,000,000 Ukrainians died?"

"There have been, and are, but few instances where the practices of Communists or Communism have had any resemblance with any of the teachings of Christ."

Don't Worry 'Bout Bro. Fidel



Law in Action

Huffing and Puffing

You see much of human nature shining through our laws.

"Puffing" is a case in point. Your salesman may get carried away and claim too much for his product. Sometimes you can force him to make good on his claims, or give your money back.

But not if he was merely "puffing". Puffing is not true warranty.

Suppose a salesman claims that if you buy his car — whammy! The girls will come running for dates.

That is puffing. An opinion at best. Anyone should know better than to believe it. Anyhow, no court is likely to force the salesman to make good his claim.

But suppose the salesman claims his car is new or that nobody else in town could get it. And suppose you found it was used and you could buy others like it anywhere.

That's not puffing but a "warranty." And you can get your money back. But you couldn't make him deliver the dates with the girls.

Suppose as a seller you claim that an article — say a television set or a car — is in good working order when it isn't.

Then you must make good or take the item back and return your customer's money.

You do not put implied warranties into words; by the way you act, you make someone think and rely upon certain things as facts when they are not so.

For instance: If a man offers to sell you a diamond ring, you have a right to think that he owns and has the right to sell the ring.

So you buy it, but the jewelry store comes and takes it away from you. The man didn't own the ring after all. Then, you can sue the man.

Since you may have a hard time deciding whether a salesman is puffing or warranting an article, just ask him to write down his claims. He'll most likely stall if he's puffing.

Note: California lawyers offer this column so you may know about our laws.

"Every politician should have two special hats — one to toss into the ring, the other to talk through." — Indianapolis Times.

"Some students drink at the fountain of knowledge. Others just gargle." — Baptist & Reflector.

"Making a sacrifice nowadays often means doing without things our parents never had." — Tit-Bits, London.

"It is just human nature that doing right would be more fun if it were wrong." — Muncie Evening Press.

"Man has more leisure than ever before, and he certainly needs it." — Charles Ruffing.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1-Small flap
4-Sufficient
9-Mocassin
10-Be ill
11-Goes by water
14-Period of time
15-Award
17-Roopy
19-Manner
20-Catkin
21-Distance measure
23-Inlet
24-Bacteriologist's wire
27-Be mistaken
28-Uncouth person
29-Dart
30-Preposition
31-Mist
32-Beverage
33-French article
34-Perfect
38-Mat's nickname
37-Title of respect
38-Agile
39-Equality
40-Deities
41-Diminishes
43-Armed conflict
44-Taken unthinkingly
46-Defaced
48-Conjunction
50-Denigrated
52-Paddle
53-Conjunction
54-Writing
55-Twisted

DOWN
1-Make lace
2-Ventilator
3-Puffer
4-Gray
5-Month
6-1418
7-South American mammal
8-Siava
9-Alloy having tin as base

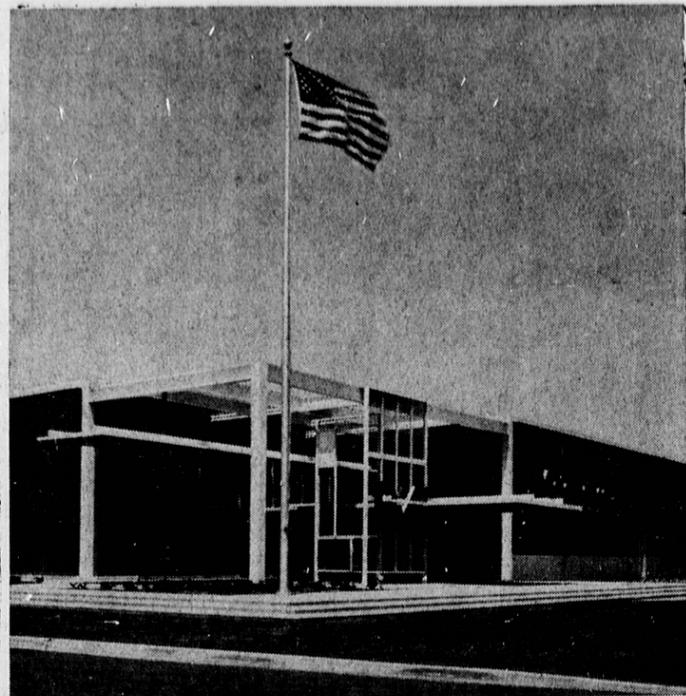
42-Lairs
43-Walk through water
44-Vessel's curved planking
45-Pedal digit
46-Encountered
47-Organ of hearing
48-Arid
51-Parent (colloq.)

10-Exist
11-Vehicle
12-Stroke
13-Breathes loudly in sleep
20-Succor
21-Malodorous
22-Wear away
25-Tattered cloth
26-Not hollow
28-Pitchers
29-Mountain pass
30-Everyone
31-Deadly
32-Swiss river
33-Attempt
36-Possesses
37-Misery
39-Partaining to punishment
40-Long, slender fish

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DEDICATED . . . This is the new multi-million dollar Magnavox Research Laboratory which company officials officially dedicated last Wednesday. Designed to maintain strict temperature and dust control, the unit can easily be expanded to more than four times its present size.

New Magnavox Research Plant Is Dedicated Here

Dedicated last Wednesday, the new Magnavox Research Laboratories at 2829 Maricopa St., have already become a busy place for the hundreds of lab technicians who use the facility. The unit has been planned so that it can be easily expanded and company officials report that the facility will eventually be more than four times its present size.

The Industrial division of the Magnavox Co. has the responsibility for managing the new research unit. The company will engage in the development of communication equipment including radar

and anti-submarine detection equipment.

Manager of the unit is Dr. Ragnar Thorensen. He directs a staff of 200 persons, including more than 100 graduate engineers, physicists, and mathematicians.

The concrete and steel laboratory was designed on a 50-foot module for both economy and ease of addition and expansion. It has a control center designed to maintain rigid dust and temperature control. Separate air handling units provide for prescription temperature and humidity controls in each unit of the lab.



DR. RAGNAR THORENSEN . . . heads lab facility

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